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SERIAL NO: 10/692,208 ) 3765  
FILED: OCTOBER 22, 2003 ) PATENT EXAMINER  
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COMMUNICATION AND PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE

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of the Issue Fee due for the above noted United States Patent Application.

An Office Communication dated December 28, 2005 was received from Examiner Andrew W. Sutton together with a Supplemental Notice of Allowability which stated, to wit:

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this Application. If not included, herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

An EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT was included with the Office Communication. No NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE on form PTOL-85 was included with the Office Communication.

In response to this Office Communication, Applicant is proceeding as follows.

A NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE on form PTOL-85 was mailed on October 3, 2005. The Due Date for payment of the Issue Fee, Publication Fee and Advance Copy Fee is January 3, 2006.

**Applicant is treating the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE on form PTOL-85 mailed on October 3, 2005 as "previously mailed" in lieu of a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication being mailed in due course.**

Accordingly, the Issue Fee, Publication Fee and Advance Copy Fee is deemed due on January 3, 2006.

The purpose for filing this COMMUNICATION is as a follow-up to a COMMUNICATION filed December 21, 2005 wherein Applicant had expected that the Examiner's Amendment would include therewith new NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE on form PTOL-85 as opposed to a Supplemental Notice of Allowability.

Enclosed herewith are the following documents and/or items:

- (1) FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL; and
- (2) Check in the amount of \$1,030.00 paying the Small Entity Issue Fee of \$700.00, Publication Fee of \$300 and Advance Copy Fee of \$30.00.

With the filing of the FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL form and the check for \$1,030.00, this Application is now in condition for Issuance.

Respectfully submitted,



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